post of Commander of the Force, effective 1 June. In a letter dated 30 April 1982,21 the President of the Council informed the Secretary-General as follows:

'I wish to inform you that I have brought your letter dated 28 April, 20 concerning your intention to appoint Major-General Carl-Gustav Ståhl of Sweden to the post of Commander of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force, to the attention of the members of the Security Council. They considered the matter in informal consultations on 29 April and agreed with the proposal contained in your letter.'

At its 2369th meeting, on 26 May 1982, the Council proceeded with the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East: report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/15079)".16

Resolution 506 (1982)

of 26 May 1982

The Security Council,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force,22

Decides:

- (a) To call upon the parties concerned to implement immediately Security Council resolution 338 (1973);
- To renew the mandate of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for another period of six months, that is, until 30 November 1982;
- (c) To request the Secretary-General to submit, at the end of this period, a report on the developments in the situation and the measures taken to implement resolution 338 (1973).

Adopted unanimously at the 2369th meeting

Decisions

At the same meeting, following the adoption of resolution 506 (1982), the President made the following statement on behalf of the members of the Council:23

'In connection with the adoption of the resolution on the renewal of the mandate of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force, I have been authorized to make the following complementary statement on behalf of the Security Council regarding the resolution just adopted:

" 'As is known, the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force²² states, in paragraph 28, that "despite the present quiet in the Israel-Syria sector, the situation in the Middle East as a whole continues to be potentially dangerous

21 S/15020. Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-seventh Year, Sup-

plement for April, May and June 1982, document S/15079.

Document S/15124, incorporated in the record of the 2369th meeting

and is likely to remain so unless and until a comprehensive settlement covering all aspects of the Middle East problem can be reached." This statement of the Secretary-General reflects the view of the Security Council.'

On 4 June 1982, after consultations with the members of the Council, the President was authorized to make the following statement on their behalf:24

'The President and the members of the Security Council have learned with concern of the serious events which occurred today in Lebanon and of the loss of human life and the destruction caused by those events. The President and the members of the Council make an urgent appeal to all the parties to adhere strictly to the cease-fire that had been in effect since 24 July 1981 and to retrain immediately from any hostile act likely to provoke an aggravation of the situation.'

At its 2374th meeting, on 5 June 1982, the Council de cided to invite the representatives of Lebanon and Israel to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East: letter dated 4 June 1982 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/15162)".16

At the same meeting, the Council also decided, by a vote that an invitation should be accorded to the representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization to participate in the debate and that that invitation would confer upon it the same rights of participation as those conferred on a Member State when it was invited to participate under rule 37 of the provisional rules of procedure.

> Adopted by 11 votes to 1 (United States of America), with 3 ab stentions (France, Japan, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).

At the same meeting, the Council further decided, at the request of the representative of Jordan,25 to extend an in vitation to Mr. Clovis Maksoud under rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure.

Resolution 508 (1982)

of 5 June 1982

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions 425 (1978), 426 (1978) and its ensuing resolutions and, more particularly, resolution 501 (1982),

²⁴ S/15163

²⁵ Document S/15167, incorporated in the record of the 23/4th meeting